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To: The Acting Secretary

From: ARA - Viron P. Vaky

Inter-American Human Rights Commission
Visit to Argentina.

On October 10 the Argentine Government sent a letter to the IAHRC laying out conditions for a visit and suggesting it occur in the second quarter of next year.

I received a copy of the letter from the Argentine mission to the OAS on a confidential basis and am attaching a copy of it and an informal translation.

Attachment:
As stated above.

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Ministry of Foreign Relations and Culture

Buenos Aires
October 10, 1978

Mr. President:

I am pleased to write to Your Excellency with reference to your note of June 23 in connection with the invitation of the Argentine Government to the Inter-American Human Rights Commission that it visit this country for the purpose of ascertaining the legal juridical conditions that exist here.

Your Excellency's note, after expressing interest of the Commission in making this visit, required information about the activities that it could carry out during its stay in the Republic of Argentina in agreement with the norms contained in the Resolution about "In-Country" Observations.

In this connection, I wish to advise Your Excellency that the Government of Argentina, taking in account what the Commission represents and the personal qualities of its members who will assure due care in its procedures and in its judgments, finds no inconvenience that the visit take place at whatever time is convenient provided that the visit take place within the framework of the Resolution on "In-Country" Observations.

With respect to the date for the visit, let it be pointed out that for essentially administrative reasons resulting from summer vacations that are at hand, it is advisable to set, as the most appropriate time, the second quarter of next year.

I reiterate to you, Mr. President, the assurances of my most attentive and courteous consideration.

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Ambassador Don Andres Aguilar M.
President of the Inter-American
Commission on Human Rights.

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SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS
MINISTERIO DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES Y CULTO

BUENOS AIRES, 10 de Octubre de 1978.-

SEÑOR PRESIDENTE:

Tengo el agrado de dirigirme a V.E. con relación a su nota de fecha 23 de junio ppdo., vinculada con la invitación que el Gobierno Argentino cursara a la Comisión Interamericana de Derechos Humanos para que visite el país con el propósito de constatar las condiciones jurídico legales que en él imperan.

La citada nota de V.E., luego de expresar el interés de la Comisión en realizar esa visita, requiere información acerca de las actividades que podrían desarrollarse durante su permanencia en la República, de acuerdo con las normas contenidas en la Resolución sobre Observaciones "In Loco".

Sobre el particular, deseo poner en vuestro conocimiento to que el Gobierno Argentino tomando en cuenta la representatividad de la Comisión y las calidades personales de sus miembros - que aseguran ponderación en los procedimientos y en los juicios, no halla inconveniente para que la misma materialice en cualquier momento su visita, adecuándose a la invocada resolución.

Con respecto a la fecha que en definitiva se fije, cabe señalar que razones de orden administrativo vinculadas con el receso estival que se aproxima, hacen aconsejable ubicar, como la época más apropiada, el segundo trimestre del año próximo.

Reitero al señor Presidente las seguridades de mi más atenta y distinguida consideración.

Al señor Presidente de la Comisión Interamericana de Derechos Humanos,
Embajador D. ANDRES AGUILAR M.
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